

Fiscal Note



Fiscal Services Division

HF 2148 – Reserve Police Officers Tax Credit (LSB 5711YH)

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Fiscal Note Version – New

Description

<u>House File 2148</u> creates a new Reserve Peace Officer Tax Credit. Qualified individuals must meet minimum training standards established by the lowa Law Enforcement Academy. The tax credit is equal to \$50 per year and is prorated for persons serving in the position for a portion of the year. The credit is not refundable and is available beginning tax year 2015.

Assumptions

- There are 680 qualified reserve peace officers currently in the State.
- All 680 officers are assumed to qualify for the maximum \$50 credit.
- To estimate the projected impact of a nonrefundable \$50 tax credit, the Department of Revenue utilized their individual income tax micro-simulation model. The credit was randomly assigned to 680 tax returns so the results could be adjusted for tax returns that do not have the full \$50 in income tax liability.

Fiscal Impact

The Reserve Peace Officer Tax Credit proposed in HF 2148 is projected to reduce net General Fund revenue by less than \$50,000 per year, starting FY 2016 and remain below \$50,000 for the foreseeable future. As a nonrefundable tax credit, the credit will also have a minor impact on the revenue generated by the local option income surtax for schools.

Sources

Iowa Law Enforcement Academy
Department of Revenue Income Tax Model

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The fiscal note for this bill was prepared pursuant to <u>Joint Rule 17</u> and the Iowa Code. Data used in developing this fiscal note is available from the Fiscal Services Division of the Legislative Services Agency upon request.